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Oversee Construction Of New Mail Boat.

W. J. Neill took passage south on the Humboldt to Seattle where he will remain the remainder of the winter to oversee the construction of the new combination passenger and freight boat which will be placed on the West Coast mail route next spring. Mrs. Neill, who has been in Los Angeles since before the holidays, will join Mr. Neill in Seattle where they will engage apartments, coming north in the spring on the new boat.

Stikine Blew Some.

"Yessir! that ere Stikine can blow SOME." "I've seen blow till the sand from the river bars shot out across the straits like a yellow tongue of fire, Yessir it blew so far oncert that the sand tickled the elephants nose and old Woronkofski up and sneezed—K-snif." "Who am I?—Why I'm the guy that put the stik in Stikine."

Values of Alaska Mineral Output.

Preliminary estimates by U. S. Geological Survey, believed to be not over 5 per cent in error.

It is estimated that the total value of the mineral output in Alaska in 1912 is \$21,850,000, compared with \$20,650,000 for 1911. The value of the gold output of 1912 is estimated at \$16,650,000; that of 1911 was \$16,853,256. It is estimated that the Alaska mines produced 28,940,000 pounds of copper in 1912, valued at about \$4,630,000. In 1911 the output was 27,267,871 pounds valued at \$3,364,584. The silver production in 1912 is estimated to have a value of \$300,000, as compared with \$243,293 for 1911. The value of all other mineral products in 1912, including tin, marble, gypsum, coal, petroleum, etc., was about \$260,000, compared with \$176,942 in 1911. The total value of Alaska's mineral production since 1880, when mining first began, is, in round numbers, \$229,000,000, of

which \$202,000,000 is represented by the value of the gold output. The total output of copper in Alaska since 1901 is about 90,000,000 pounds, valued at about \$13,145,000.

Delay of Regulations Mixes Postmaster.

Guides and regulations not yet received but local office is receiving Parcel Post matter.

With stamps, tags, scales and other Parcel Post requisites at hand but no guide, zone map or regulations, J. E. Worden, local Postmaster has been thrown very much upon his own resources as to the mailing of fourth class matter since January 1st. While he has been accepting and dispatching Parcel Post, matter according to his own judgement as to the proper rates etc, he has also kept the wires busy to the Superintendents office at Seattle and the Chief Clerk's office at Skagway, in quest of authentic instructions. The first returns were from Skagway and settled the question of rates much to the dismay of patrons as the full 12 cents per pound rates apply regardless of distances. On account of the short time in which the Department was given to organize the system, a C. O. D. regulation was not considered, and will be taken up after the system has been observed in action. It is the opinion of Mr. Worden that the Alaska regulation will be reconsidered and the zone rates made to apply.

Motorcycle Speed.

Meanwhile no list of deadly weapons is complete unless it includes the motorcycle.—Topeka Capital.

Every now and then the motorcycle and the auto show the aeroplane that it hasn't quite put their noses out of joint yet as killers.—Washington Post.

The British cycling authority who says that motorcycle speed mania is sensationalism and not sport is entirely correct in his opinion.—New York World.

Cost of Living.

Treasury officials are trying to make the dollar more beautiful. Why not more plentiful?—New York American.

The agricultural department says that farmers are now getting less for food, but when is the consumer going to get it for less?—Washington Post.

The sense of humor outlives even hope. Men joke about the cost of living even when it is impossible to pay their bills.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Electric Sparks.

Electric batteries can be made much stronger by heating them.

The export of electrical apparatus last year reached the enormous figure of \$19,355,536.

Over the four wires connecting Chicago to New York eleven messages can be sent at once.

A complete telephone transmitter which folds into a watch case has been invented to relieve a person of the unpleasant necessity of using an insanitary public instrument.

Power House Troubles Leaves Town Dark.

Currents is the fruit that grows on electric plants. Where was you when the lights went out? A broken tube in the coil of the superheater caused considerable trouble at the power house Tuesday evening necessitated closing down for repairs and with exception of the early part of the evening, Wrangell had no electric lights. The broken pipe was repaired next day and the juice was circulating again regularly last night.

Weather Helps Prices

Weather conditions have boosted fresh halibut prices to the record mark. On account of the storms which have visited the coast lately the large boats have not ventured outside and the reduced supply has sent the prices soaring. Returns from late shipments have reached as high as 13 cents per pound.

The Joke.

"Jones says his wife can't take a joke." "That's funny, seems to me." "How so?" "She took Jones."—Judge.

Jefferson Due On the 18th.

The S. S. Jefferson, which has been in drydock several months undergoing extensive repairs and thorough overhauling, was scheduled to sail from Seattle for Southeastern Alaska points January 15th and should arrive in Wrangell Saturday. The Dolphin will be taken off the run for the winter and will go into drydock for overhauling.

Skaters Catch Trout.

Last Sunday, several friends of the crew of the Ida May were treated to a joy ride to Pat's Creek expecting to enjoy the excellent ice supposed to have formed since the beginning of the "cold spell." The ice was disappointing, however, as it froze rough but the skaters turned to with fish lines and hauled out a string of trout which adds to the Ida's record for fish gathering.

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Stung Again

Of all sad words, of tongue or pen - the saddest are these "I'm stung again." Now Uncle Sam has given US a present - The Parcel Post - which became effective on January 1st 1913. Yet at present the zone system applicable at other points is not applicable in Alaska and we, instead of a graduated scale of rates must pay the full price whether the parcel is destined to Ketchikan or New York. We're Stung Again, it would seem deliberately so, because the act reads

"—rate between any point in the United States and any point in the Hawaiian Islands, The United States Postal Agency at Shanghai, and any point in Alaska, and between any two points in Alaska . . . shall be twelve cents for the first pound and twelve cents for each additional pound or fraction thereof." Were Stung - but no that don't settle it. Protests will undoubtedly be rushed to Washington to remedy the injustice. Perhaps some day the majority of Congressman will be converted to the belief that Alaskans have average intelli-

gence and are entitled to receive average consideration.

In the meantime we must use what we can get them to let go of and in the case of Parcel Post pay the full rate at 12 cents per pound. There are several regulations to be observed in using the Parcel Post which patrons may paste in their hat for reference and profit thereby. For instance—do not use ordinary stamps or the parcel will be held for postage. Only P. P. stamps go now on 4th class mail. Packages weighing six ounces or under should be sealed and sent 1st. class, thereby incurring better care and if the parcel weighs 5oz. or under, a saving in postage is made. 4th Class packages cannot be registered but may be insured by payment of 10c in P.P. stamps which must be affixed to the package. All packages must bear the senders name and address preceded by the word "from."

With the exercise of judgment in the matter of mailing parcels, the present Alaska system may be used with profit until such time as the graduated rate may be made applicable to Alaskan points.

INFANTILE PARALYSIS.

Experiments Prove That the Disease Is Spread by Stable Flies.

That infantile paralysis is transmitted by the stable fly is the great discovery Dr. M. J. Rosenau, professor of preventive medicine and hygiene at Harvard, announced to the fifteenth international congress of hygiene and demography. Dr. Rosenau experimented with monkeys, the animals most closely resembling man.

Twelve monkeys were infected with infantile paralysis. At different stages of the illness a large number of stable flies were introduced into the closely screened cages containing the monkeys. The stable fly bites. After a certain period the stable flies were transferred to cages containing well monkeys. These animals after being bitten by the flies developed all the symptoms of infantile paralysis. Just as they appear in children afflicted with the disease. Some of the monkeys died. Dr. Rosenau took tissues from the monkeys thus infected by the flies and injected them into a third set of monkeys, which thereupon developed the disease.

A method for eradication and control of infantile paralysis is now placed in the hands of sanitarians. It is believed that the necessity of quarantine is thus relieved and that it will suffice to place a bed net around the patient.

Our Limestone Deposits.

Lime is one of our practically inexhaustible natural resources. The available limestone rock widely distributed over the United States cannot be estimated even in millions or billions of tons. It is a fact also that the more lime is "thrown away"—scattered over the ground the better it is for the country, for lime is a great soil renovator, and although it is believed to have no actual fertilizing value in the sense of being in itself a plant food, it is well known that spreading it upon the fields and plowing it under make many soils more productive by "sweetening" them and rendering available the plant food they already contain. Lime has also a great variety of other highly important uses. In fact, few mineral products have so wide a scope of usefulness. United States Geological Survey.

Oxygen For Aeronauts.

Injecting pure oxygen gas into the blood of air men and mountain climbers, as an auxiliary supply to that inhaled into the lungs, is a remarkable means proposed for the prevention of the so called mountain sickness, which is due to the rarity of air at high altitudes. The preventive treatment, which was described together with the experiments confirming its efficiency at a recent session of the French Academy of Sciences, consists simply in the subcutaneous injection of small quantities of pure oxygen gas, the effect of which is claimed to persist for several days.

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News of Local Interest

Passengers for the West Coast this week are Capt. and Mrs. R. L. Cole, L. B. Adsit, J. Goldstein, Frank Farrer and E. J. McKenna.

T. J. Case and J. Welch were patrolling the town last night, having been appointed by the Fire Committee of the Council as Fire Wardens.

The members of Mrs. Case's Dancing Class were obliged to postpone their dance Tuesday night on account of the failure of the electric lights. The dance was given last night and a good crowd attended in spite of the severe weather.

The water supply in the reservoir is getting low and users should conserve it while the weather remains cold.

S. LaBounty, who is convalescing from his recent illness, will take passage south on the Princess May Friday, enroute to Tacoma, where several of his brothers are in business.

The six dory halibut boat, Comet, was in from Petersburg last night.

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Alfred Gordon, who was reported drowned near Kake some weeks ago, has, according to late reports, turned up in the flesh, having had an experience of drifting away from the traveled paths and obliged to remain "missing" for many days.

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For professional and tradespeople see advertising columns.

The A.S.P.C. trap near the cemetery has nearly all gone down during the blows the past few days.

L. B. Adsit, J. Goldstein and E. J. McKenna are registered at the Wrangell Hotel this week.

Geo. and Chas. Demmert made a trip in from Shakan Monday to get parts and measurements of their new Imperial engine which they will install in the new fish boat they are now building.

The Shamrock brought in fifty barrels of herring Saturday from Clawcock.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Grant, Capt. and Mrs. R. L. Cole, Mr. and Mrs. B. Y. Grant, Mrs. S. C. Shurick and C. M. Coulter, returned from Juneau on the Dolphin. Capt. Cole, B. Y. Grant and C. M. Coulter were initiated into the mysteries of the B. P. O. E. (Best People On Earth) and brought back fine antlers as the results of their expedition.

A number of young people enjoyed the dance at the Rink Friday evening. Manager, Lewis, says he will give one soon at which matrimonial certificates will be the entrance requirements, otherwise "unmarried people not allowed."

The world's daily consumption of oil is about one million barrels. The Columbia and Northern Fishing and Packing Company has received their fire hose for private protection.

Mrs. M. A. Willson, who has been visiting in Ketchikan, returned to her home on the Curacao.

The Success was in from the Burnette Inlet cannery Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Gartley and son Wilfred, returned to their Wrangell home Tuesday on the Princess May, after having spent the holidays in Victoria B. C.



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Plan to Heat and Light City From Refuse of Lumber Mills.

Following the report of the committee appointed by the Vancouver city council to investigate the smoke and sawdust nuisance caused by burning refuse from the various sawmills of the city, which it was claimed allowed much fine sawdust and soot to escape in the air, an application has been made to the city by a company composed of about ten prominent mill owners for a franchise to sell steam heat and electric light and power.

The company's intention is to utilize the sawdust and refuse for fuel by installing plants at the mills, the idea being to use the different plants as substations instead of establishing a central power plant, thus avoiding the hauling expense. This will not only minimize the risk of accident to the plant, interfering with the regular supply, but will also, in furnishing steam heat, enable the company to supply it over a wide area with much lower pressure than if furnished from a central plant. It is intended to also establish at each mill an auxiliary oil burning apparatus to be used should the refuse pile run low.

It is thought that heat, light and power can be furnished by this system at a far lower rate than is charged by the present power company operating in the city. In making the application an option to purchase is given to the city should it desire to take the entire supply of the plant within a reasonable time.

With coal at \$7.50 per ton, retail, the question of disposing the waste from sawmills in Vancouver at an expense, in addition to its loss, has bothered the lumbermen for years, and it is hoped that this scheme will prove feasible and profitable.

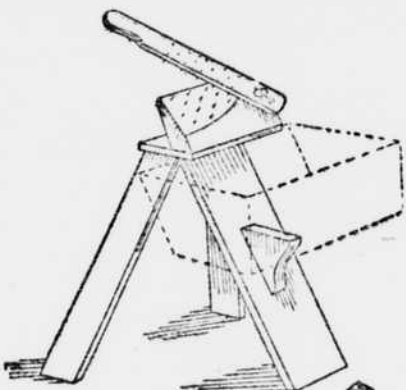
In furnishing steam heat it is proposed to use the exhaust steam. It is thought that it can be supplied at about 40 cents per 1,000 feet, the measurement being the flow of water from the condensed steam running into the simplex meter, consisting of a set of two cups, one filling and the other dropping raising the other and thus automatically registering the flow.

The engineer of this proposed company estimates the amount of sawdust and refuse burned annually by these mills as equivalent to 114,000 cords. The approximate cost of installing a sawdust burner is \$30,000 and annual expense of operating it about \$5,000.—Consular Reports.

WOODEN CORN SHELDER.

Homemade Contrivance That Is Simple and Effective.

Where there is but a small quantity of corn to be shelled a shelder can be made of a few scraps of wood usually found on a farm, says Popular Mechanics. A block of wood having a sloping notch cut from one end is mounted on three legs as shown. The



HOMEMADE CORN SHELDER.

notched part as well as the lever is thickly filled with spikes driven in so that their heads protrude about half an inch.

The ear of corn is placed in the notched part and the lever pressed down. Two or three strokes of the lever will remove all the kernels from the cob. A box is provided and conveniently located on one leg to catch the shelled corn.

To Model Ships After Bats.

The new system of preventing collisions at sea proposed by Sir Hiram Maxim is based on a theory of the bat's sixth sense. A century ago Abbe Spallanzani proved that bats could pursue and catch insects without seeing them. The vibration or waves from a bat's wings, though of too low frequency to produce sound, are reflected back from obstacles they strike, and it is supposed that the bat is able to detect the reflection and thus to guide its flight. Soundings for similar echoes could be made on shipboard. With a wave generator of 200 or 300 horse power, vibrations could be sent out of about the same frequency as those of a bat and it is believed that they would be reflected from five miles away sufficiently strong to be detected. A trial apparatus has been made by Sir Hiram.

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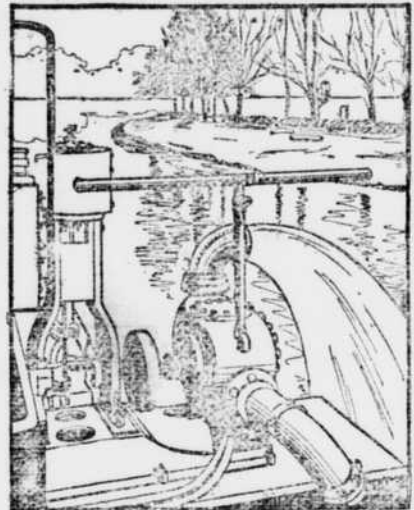
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central revolving axle, the pistons being so connected to this axle that during half of the revolution water is sucked from the intake pipe into the chambers inclosing the cylinders, while during the other half revolution it is expelled through the outlet pipe. The pump, as shown in the illustration, is driven by a single cylinder vertical engine. —Popular Mechanics.

Egg Preservation.

J. M. Bartlett before the chemical congress explained the use of water glass, which is a silicate of soda, for preserving eggs, giving the necessary directions for its manufacture. When properly made, it does not affect the eggs chemically and will preserve them for months, being quite as effective as cold storage and available for use by the ordinary housewife. The eggs are placed in a vessel containing the water glass and left there covered by the fluid until needed for use.

Strictly fresh eggs, not the shop eggs under this label, but the real things just out of the nest, can be carried over from summer to winter in a jar of water glass in almost perfect condition. Of all the domestic methods of prolonging the useful life of eggs, immersion in water glass is by far the best, said Bartlett.

The Care of Books.

Persons about to install new libraries or those who find their books in bad condition will be glad of the advice offered on this subject by a writer in Les Annales (Paris). Glass cases should always be avoided except for a few precious volumes which are specially looked after and frequently dusted, since the confined atmosphere and lack of air circulation in such book cases are favorable to the development of germs, insects and mold. Secondly, the simple precaution should be taken of placing on the shelves behind the books strips of cloth or flannel moistened with benzine, phenol, tobacco juice or turpentine. These strips give excellent results if renewed from time to time.

Passing Gases Through Iron.

It has been known for some time that gases will pass through metals when they are highly heated; thus platinum at a red heat will allow air to pass through it. Iron is also permeable for hydrogen when hot and even when cold to a certain degree. More recently Charpy and Bonnerot show that nitrogen does not penetrate iron below a temperature of 800 degrees C. Hydrogen passes more easily and at a temperature of 500 degrees a considerable action is noticed.

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Anyway, the Sentinel gets it that Mr. Connors was once saved by superstition - or a rat, whichever way it may be taken. About five years ago, Connors

was following the sea for wages. At the particular time his berth was aboard the Barge "Japan" which was tied at the dock at Saxon—Loaded with high explosives. While waiting, Connors observed a rat make its way on board by way of a mooring hawser and a few moments later, go ashore accompanied by the only rat that had been on the boat. Connors lost no time in gathering up his belongings and making his way to terra firma. Of course, (the story would never be told, otherwise) the Barge "Japan" was blown up just two hours later by ignition of its dangerous cargo. But Connors escaped death by two hours - by a rat or by superstition and lived five more years, to become a fisherman at Craig, Alaska, and to end by a tree falling on him while in bed.

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